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LETTER DATED 1 AUGUST 1994 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The situation in Sarajevo continues to deteriorate seriously. Access routes used to bring in the overwhelming amount of humanitarian aid to the city have been blocked off by Karadzic's forces. While some other routes may be available intermittently, the blockage of these other roads greatly increases the cost and effort in providing humanitarian supplies for this besieged city. This unchallenged blockage also puts Karadzic's Serbs in a better position to pilfer incoming supplies more routinely. This is further aggravating the strangulation of Sarajevo at a time when the international community is experiencing severe donor fatigue and when winter is fast approaching.

In the last couple of days, Karadzic's snipers have shot 12 individuals riding Sarajevo's tram cars, resulting in the shut-down of the recently opened tram system. This has been a serious blow to the hopes of Sarajevo's citizens desperate to resume normal living conditions.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Muhamed SACIRBEY
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